

BEFORE THE FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION
STATE OF FLORIDA

INQUIRY CONCERNING A JUDGE

SC13-1333

LAURA M. WATSON, NO. 12-613

**FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION'S
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
JUDGE WATSON'S NOTICE OF DIRECT CRIMINAL CONTEMPT BY
THE FLORIDA BAR AND JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION
(Cox, McGrane and Muir)**

--and--

**MOTION TO REJECT THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF
THE JQC BASED UPON PERJURY, FRAUD, SPOLIATION OF
EVIDENCE AND NUMEROUS VIOLATIONS OF THE RULES
REGULATING THE FLORIDA BAR, AND OTHER RELIEF**

The Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission ("JQC"), by and through its undersigned counsel, hereby requests an extension of time to file its Response to Judge Watson's Notice of Direct Criminal Contempt by The Florida Bar and Judicial Qualifications Commission (Cox, McGrane and Muir), and Motion to Reject the Report and Recommendations of the JQC Based Upon Perjury, Fraud, Spoliation of Evidence and Numerous Violations of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, and Other Relief. As grounds for such motion, the JQC states as follows:

1. On March 11, 2015, Judge Watson filed her Notice of Direct Criminal Contempt by The Florida Bar and Judicial Qualifications Commission (Cox,

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McGrane and Muir), and Motion to Reject the Report and Recommendations of the JQC Based Upon Perjury, Fraud, Spoliation of Evidence and Numerous Violations of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, and Other Relief (“Judge Watson’s Motion”).

2. Judge Watson’s Motion consists of 70 pages along with an accompanying Appendix of undetermined length. As of the date of this Motion for Extension, Judge Watson’s Appendix has not yet been filed.

3. Inclusive of the time permitted to respond to a motion after service of same by mail or e-mail, the JQC’s Response to Judge Watson’s Motion is currently due March 26, 2015. *See* Fla. App. P. 9.300 and 9.420(e).

4. The undersigned will be out of the country March 20 – 29, 2015, due to a pre-existing commitment and accordingly requests an extension of time through April 10, 2015, to respond to Judge Watson’s Motion.

5. The undersigned certifies that prior to filing this motion, he conferred with Colleen Kathryn O’Loughlin, counsel for Judge Watson, and is authorized to represent that Judge Watson has **no** objection to the relief sought in this motion.

WHEREFORE, the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission by and through its undersigned counsel, respectfully prays for entry of an order granting it an extension of time through April 10, 2015, to respond to Judge Watson’s Notice of Direct Criminal Contempt by The Florida Bar and Judicial Qualifications

Commission (Cox, McGrane and Muir), and Motion to Reject the Report and Recommendations of the JQC Based Upon Perjury, Fraud, Spoliation of Evidence and Numerous Violations of the Rules Regulating The Florida Bar, and Other Relief.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing **FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** has been furnished by **E-Mail** on this 12th day of March, 2015 to the following:

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